

# Proposed Rule Change to 85-1-.02 (2)(C)

## 85-1-.02 Licenses.

### (1) General Provisions.

(a) **Terms and Agreements.** Every license issued is subject to the terms, conditions, and agreements set forth in the application as well as those set forth in the application as well as

those set forth in these rules and the statute governing professional boxing in Georgia.

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(b) **Applications Forms.** Applications for annual license shall be submitted to the commission on a form prescribed by the commission.

### (c) Incomplete Applications.

1. Unless otherwise agreed to by the commission, incomplete applications, will not be considered for approval.

2. Applications submitted without proper payment as provided in these rules will not be considered for approval.

(d) **Participant License: When Due.** Except as provided in (3)(a) below [Promoter's License] all participant applications must be submitted no later than the weigh-in preceding the first professional appearance in Georgia within any calendar year of such participant.

(e) **Participant License: Approval/Denial.** Annual licenses for Contestants, corner persons, managers, and matchmakers may be approved or denied by the commission appointed supervisor assigned to each boxing show, or in the case of such applications presented in the staff office, approved or denied by the secretary of state staff assigned to assist the commission.

1. Any individual denied a license by the commission appointed supervisor or by the secretary of state staff assigned to assist the commission can appeal the denial of the license to the commission. The appeal will be presented to the commission during their next regularly scheduled meeting at which time the commission will vote to sustain or override the initial denial.

(f) **Background Investigation.** The commission may request a general background investigation of any applicant for any license. Such investigation may include searching for any past criminal record, and such investigation may be conducted by an appropriate law enforcement agency.

(g) **Denial of License.** The commission may deny a license application from any person who has violated any of its rules or regulations or violated any of the provisions of O.C.G.A. 43, Chapter 4B or whose application contains false statements or material omissions.

1. Unless otherwise ruled by the commission the denial of any license application shall remain in effect for a period of twelve months, and such applicant may not re-apply for a license from the commission during that period.

(h) **Expiration Date.** Annual licenses are valid until December 31, of the year issued for boxing and June 30 of the year issued for Mixed Martial Arts.

(i) **Verbal or physical abuse of official or commission appointed supervisor.** Any licensee who verbally or physically abuses an official or the commission appointed supervisor of a match shall be suspended indefinitely and his or her license may be revoked.

(2) **License Fees:**

(a) **How Paid.** Unless otherwise agree to by the commission, application for a promoter's licenses and/or match permit shall be accompanied by a certified check for the required fee. Participant licenses, except for the promoter's license, shall be paid at the time of the application.

(b) **Schedule of Fees.** Annual fees for participant licenses are as follow:

1. Promoter \$150.00
2. Mixed Martial Arts Promoter \$500.00
3. Matchmaker \$ 50.00
4. Manager \$ 50.00
5. Boxer/MMA Contestant \$ 20.00
6. Second/Trainer \$ 20.00
7. Timekeeper \$ 20.00
8. Referee \$ 20.00
9. Judge \$ 20.00
10. MMA Sanctioning Org \$1000.00
11. Physician \$0.00

(c) Application Fees tendered to the commission are not refundable, ~~provided however that the proposed date of any match disclosed on an open match permit application may be changed without the requirement of an additional fee.~~

(d) All fees shall be paid by purse deduction, certified check, cashiers check, or personal check. NO cash will be accepted by the Georgia Athletic and Entertainment Commission or its representatives